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WANTED—YOUR DUES

When in the course of annual events, there comes January, there comes, too, the problem of O.L.A. dues. The Executive Secretary, Miss Frances Nunmaker, and the Treasurer, Miss Helen Focke, hope you will start the year properly by paying that dollar—or ten dollars, if you are a sustaining member—to your membership committee representative promptly (see list below), or directly to Miss Nunmaker, Ohio State Library, Columbus, Ohio.

Remember those small dues are what keep our organization going. They will help provide you with news bulletins of what goes on in Association and library affairs, they will provide you with an experienced attorney, employed to watch library interests in the state legislature; they will provide the wherewithal to keep committee projects going for the benefit of all libraries in the state; and they will help in financing any meetings which may be held.

That dollar goes a long way—and is deductible from your income tax.

O. L. A. MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN . . . 1943

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Elizabeth Bechtel	Wooster College Lib.	Wooster
Clarence W. Sumner	Public Library	Youngstown

CERTIFICATION

In as much as the Ohio Library Association adopted, at its meeting in October, the recommendations of the Legislative and Certification Committees that the certification bill, which has been in readiness for some time, be introduced into the legislature when it convened in 1943, that recommendation has been followed. The bill is now House Bill No. 169. The cooperation and support of all librarians is desired by the Certification Committee, by the Legislative Committee, and by the Executive Board.

Committee members:

Miss June R. Donnelly,
4307 Hamilton Ave., Cincinnati.

Mrs. Gladys L. Sepin,
Lane Public Library, Hamilton.

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Ross County Library, Chillicothe.

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Coshocton Public Library, Coshocton

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Martin's Ferry Public Library,
Martin's Ferry

Miss Florence Hulings
Massillon Public Library, Massillon

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Sandusky Library Ass'n., Sandusky

Miss Georgie G. McAfee,
Lima Public Library, Lima

Mr. Russell J. Schunk,
Toledo Public Library, Toledo

Mr. William J. Hamilton, Chairman,
Dayton Public Library, Dayton

National Institute on the War and Post-War Problems

The A.L.A. National Institute on the war and post-war problems and issues, Chicago, Jan. 30-31, is now over, completing the first stage of a series of discussion programs for librarians and trustees. These institutes are intended to prepare libraries to function as effective leaders in their communities, especially in promoting reading and thinking on matters now confusing to most people.

Mr. Drummond Jones, an experienced discussion leader, was in charge of the four sessions of the national institute, and was assisted by four specialists in international relations, in planning, in education, and by librarians who were ready with questions and comments from the floor.

One of the twenty-one regional institutes planned to follow the national one will be held in Cleveland. Mr. Clarence Metcalf, librarian of the Cleveland Public Library, is chairman of the committee for the Institute and Mr. Walter Brahm, state librarian, is co-ordinator of the local institutes which are to follow the regional.

Regional Institute

Initiated by the A.L.A.'s National Institute on War and Postwar Issues, which was held in Chicago on January 30-31, there are to be Regional Institutes in 21 centers throughout the United States, followed by a series of local institutes in each state. The Regional Institute for Ohio will take place in Cleveland on March 20-21. Mr. Clarence S. Metcalf is chairman of the Ohio Regional Institute Committee and the Cleveland Public Library will act as host. A local committee is making plans for the Cleveland meeting; detailed information will be sent to each library within the near future.

The Committee emphasized that attendance will not be restricted as was the case with the National Institute. It is hoped that many librarians, their staffs and trustees will find it possible to attend the Ohio Regional Institute at Cleveland.

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF DISTRICT MEETINGS AND INSTITUTES

As at the time this Bulletin went to press, there had been no correspondence with the local persons affected, this schedule is entirely tentative and subject to changes which will be announced later.

Tuesday, April 13, Cincinnati; Leader: Mr. Hadley: Counties included: Preble, Darke, Butler, Montgomery, Hamilton, Warren, Brown, Highland, Clinton, Green.

Wednesday, April 14, Yellow Springs; Leader: Mr. Bixler. Counties included: Darke, Miami, Shelby, Champaign, Logan, Clark, Greene, Madison, Fayette, Clinton, Montgomery, Warren, Preble.

Thursday, April 15, Chillicothe; Leader: Mr. Pfoutz. Counties included: Franklin, Pickaway, Fayette, Highland, Adams, Scioto, Pike, Ross, Hocking, Vinton, Jackson, Lawrence, Gallia.

Tuesday, April 27, Lima; Leader: Miss McAfee. Counties included: Allen, Auglaize, Mercer, Van Wert, Paulding, Defiance, Henry, Putnam, Hancock, Hardin, Logan, Shelby, Marion, Union, Champaign, Miami.

Wednesday, April 28, Toledo; Leader: Mr. Schunk. Counties included: Lucas, Sandusky, Ottawa, Seneca, Wood, Hancock, Fulton, Henry, Defiance, Williams, Putnam.

Thursday, April 29, Sandusky; Leader: Miss McCann. Counties included: Sandusky, Lorain, Erie, Huron, Ashland, Richland, Seneca, Wyandot, Ottawa, Marion, Crawford.

Tuesday, May 4, Granville; Leader: Miss Whitney. Counties included: Licking, Knox, Richland, Morrow, Delaware, Franklin, Pickaway, Fairfield, Perry, Muskingum, Coshocton, Holmes.

Wednesday, May 5, Akron; Leader: Mr. Collins. Counties included: Trumbull, Mahoning, Columbiana, Stark, Portage, Geauga, Cuyahoga, Summit, Medina, Wayne, Holmes, Ashland, Lorain, Tuscarawas, Carroll.

Thursday, May 6, Geneva; Leader: Miss Irwin. Counties included: Ashtabula, Lake, Cuyahoga, Geauga, Trumbull, Portage, Mahoning.

Tuesday, May 11, Marietta; Leader: Mr. Blazier. Counties included: Gallia, Meigs, Athens, Hocking, Perry, Morgan, Washington, Guernsey, Noble, Monroe, Muskingum.

Wednesday, May 12, Martins Ferry; Leader: Miss Beery. Counties included: Monroe, Belmont, Jefferson, Washington, Guernsey, Harrison, Carroll, Tuscarawas, Columbiana.

Exhibits, Loan Packets, and Films

All librarians realize the importance of exhibits of books on the war, clippings, posters, globes, maps and other visual material. The British Library of Information, 30 Rockefeller Plaza, New York City, has traveling exhibits which may be borrowed. Similar exhibits from other countries may be obtainable later. Announcements will be made in library periodicals.

Mortimer Taube of Duke University Library has prepared an exhibit of Nazi propaganda issued both is this country and in Germany. This collection is available for restricted borrowing. The larger libraries may wish to duplicate this exhibit for loan to colleges in their states. Write Mr. Taube for details of the content and organization of his exhibit.

Some state universities have prepared packages of pamphlets or bulletins on various war and post-war problems which are lent freely. For material to be included, note "Sources of Free and Inexpensive War Materials" published in the January A. L. A. Bulletin and "Source List of War Related Materials," published in the February A. L. A. Bulletin.

OWI has prepared a catalog of films on the war. If you are interested, write for the list to OWI Bureau of Motion Pictures.

PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM

In December, Miss Marie Newberry (Dayton Public Library) and Miss Moore, President of the O.L.A., attended a meeting of the Board of the Public Employees Retirement System and of a few invited representatives of groups included in the system. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss some desirable legislation. Miss Newberry, who is a member of the board, contributes an explanation:

As some legislation will probably be introduced in the State Assembly, a word of explanation may be wise. Usually these legislative items have had to do with the clarification of the law. For instance in 1941, House bill 268, which became law, dealt with the entrance of members of the Public Employees Retirement System into the armed forces. An employee on leave of absence, upon return to position or to other public service, was granted prior service credit for the period, if spent in the armed forces, upon showing an honorable discharge. This applies to women as well as to men. Be sure that those leaving library service to enter the armed forces are aware of this change.

Due to the emergency and to the fact that some public agencies are having people return to work after their superannuation retirement has gone into effect, some adjustment of the law may be necessary. Another item that needs consideration is that of disability benefits for those in the armed forces. As the United States has in the past assumed such responsibilities, it is probable that this pattern will be followed in the future. But the Public Employees Retirement System must be safeguarded in some way—physical examination, etc., upon return of such disabled individuals to public employment and to the Public Employees Retirement System.

As the retirement systems in Ohio (Public Employees, School Employees and Teachers) vary in the terms of disability allowances, it may be wise to try to unify these. Just what legislation will be introduced and in what form and way, we will soon learn, but these questions make us now aware that some changes are needed. We bespeak your interests in these, when the time comes.

FREE MATERIAL FOR DISPLAY

A series of posters depicting the method of gathering public opinion for Gallup Poll reports is available, we understand, and will undoubtedly be of interest to many libraries. The exhibit is furnished by Gallup Poll headquarters. This display provides the answer to a widespread demand for information on the part of the public concerning operation of the public opinion sampling polls.

Librarians are also invited to write J. Clarke Mattemore, Ensign U. S. N. R., Bureau of Aeronautics, Room 4823 Navy Bldg., Washington, D.C., if they would be interested in a display of twenty original naval aviation pictures or one of thirty naval aviation photographs. Ensign Mattemore displayed both collections at the Chicago meeting. Those who saw them agreed that the pictures were interesting and unusual photographically.

The Ohio State Council of Defense is circulating, through Ohio public libraries, a display showing black-out materials and their uses. The display board has eight miniature windows. Three windows show ways of blacking out in a room where a permanent method cannot be used. Three other windows illustrate ways of permanently blacking out windows. One window is equipped with a home-made black-out shade and the other is used to demonstrate taping of glass to prevent shattering.

This material can be obtained by writing the Ohio State Council of Defense, Columbus, Ohio.

No A.L.A. Meeting This Year

There will be no regular annual conference of the American Library Association in 1943. Business meetings of the Council and of the Executive Board will be called only if they are necessary to transact business essential to the war effort.

Committee members appointed by the A.L.A. will be "frozen" in their positions for one year. The divisions and sections have authority to make their own decisions. New officers of the A.L.A. will be elected as usual and will take office on July 1st.

District Meetings

It has been voted to merge the spring district meetings with the A.L.A. local institutes on the war and post-war issues and problems. Mr. Walter Brahm, state co-ordinator for the A.L.A. institutes will work with Miss Mildred Stibitz, Extension chairman for the O.L.A., in arranging these local institutes. It is planned to divide the state into smaller units and to have more than the usual number of meetings, to make the transportation problem simpler.

Remember to pay your O. L. A. dues promptly. It is important to have a large and active membership this year.

At Military Camps Now

Here are some addresses just received. A note from old library friends would no doubt be appreciated.

Sgt. Paul A. T. Noon,
Hq. 119 Eng., A.P.O. 262, U. S. Army, Camp Campbell, Kentucky

Pvt. G. A. Hopkins, 35619300,
Tr. Co. No. 2—2d Platoon, 176 Infantry, David Taylor Model Base, Washington, D. C.

Pvt. Selgas H. Reed,
497th F.A. Bn. B Battery, 13th Armored Division, AP.O. 263, U S. Army, Camp Beale, California

O.L.A. Annual Meeting

The Executive Board has decided, after deliberation, to hold an annual meeting in October, shortened to two days instead of three. This is subject to cancellation, if forbidding circumstances develop. It was planned to begin the meeting on Friday afternoon and end it Saturday noon, leaving the afternoon free for sections and allied organizations, if they wish to arrange a program or business meeting as usual. Columbus, on account of its central location, was chosen as the place of the meeting. Tentative dates, October 15-16.

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